

ALLEN CASE IS UP TO THE JURY

EVIDENCE IS CONCLUDED AND ARGUMENTS ARE MADE—APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED BURN OF BROTHER'S INNOCENCE

Testimony in the trial of Robert L. Allen, a local youth charged with forgery, was completed this afternoon, and the case will be in the hands of the jury this evening. The state closed its rebuttal at 2:45, and arguments by Deputy District Attorney Horace M. Manning for the state and C. M. O'Neill for the defense started at 3 o'clock.

Allen is charged with taking a check made out to a telephone company by D. P. Shook, a Dairy rancher, substituting his name for that of the telephone company, raising the amount from \$2 to \$100, and cashing the check in this city. Ed DuFaut paying the \$100 on the strength of Shook's signature. The following day Allen left the city in an automobile, going by way of Shovel Creek to Ager, where he boarded a train. He was arrested at Steen.

According to Allen, the check was given him by another man working on the Shook ranch, who had the check made out in Allen's name. An Allen was known in this city. He states that the check was for \$200 when he received it.

Three sisters of the accused have been in constant attendance at the trial. Ever since his arrest in September, they have visited him at the jail daily. They are convinced that their brother is innocent.

PUZZLED OVER LOCAL AFFAIRS

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the proper division of the political spoils.

Just who is entitled to the disposal of the patronage due this section has not been agreed upon, although Geo. Chastain was elected as chairman of the democratic county central committee.

Local politicians were amused a day or two ago by a story concerning a letter written. It is said, by E. St. Gen. Bishop, recently elected justice of the peace of Odessa. Mr. Bishop was the last acting-chairman of the democratic county central committee, serving during the absence of George Chastain from this city. According to the story, he wrote to the chairman of the state central committee, and said that he could not act, but that matters of patronage would be taken care of by Sam Evans. In other words, he transferred his political influence to Mr. Evans, who is a recent arrival in this section. It was impossible to get Mr. Bishop on the telephone this afternoon so that

the story could be confirmed. However, it is certain that Mr. Evans is attempting to dictate as to appointments. The candidates for Mr. Braunenburg's job are said to be W. T. Shive, W. A. Delsell and William Wagner. Mr. Evans has stated that he would positively not "stand" for Mr. Shive.

"If Delsell wants the place it's all right," Mr. Evans is quoted as saying. As a result of Mr. Evans' attitude, local democrats are inclined to the opinion that the race for the office of postmaster is between Mr. Shive and Mr. Wagner, with the chances slightly in favor of the former, because of Mr. Evans' stand.

In the meantime, prominent local democrats are being deluged with letters from all parts of the state, asking for favors. Judge Noland, who is an intimate friend of Senator-elect Lane, has received so many letters in the last few days that he is thinking of engaging a private secretary.

"Because when Dr. Lane and I meet he calls me George and I call him Harry, it is suspected that I have great influence with him," said Judge Noland today. "The result is that friends and acquaintances in different parts of the state are urging me to make recommendations in their favor. I do not intend to participate in politics at all."

Many letters have been written from this city asking for the position of superintendent of Crater National Park. This is the one political plum for this section that will be ripe immediately after the inauguration of Mr. Wilson. The position pays \$1,200 a year, and is a "summer job." There are said to be at least five candidates for this position.

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CONGRATULATED; IS STILL SINGLE

POSTAL CLERK'S REPORTED MARRIAGE KENT'S HIM BUSY SIDE-STREPPING WELL-MEANING FRIENDS

A popular young postal employee of this city has been getting the "glad hand" and felicitations galore yesterday and today from his many friends on account of his reported marriage to a fair young lady of this city, and what he at first considered a joke is becoming very much of a bore to him. When he sees a friend approach him now with a smile and an outstretched hand he runs if there is any possibility of escape, and if not, he shouts "Nothing to it!" before they can express the heartfelt words of congratulation.

Just who is responsible for the report has not been learned, but the story was current on the street yesterday and today, and "The General" was complimented for his shrewdness in outwitting his friends.

FEARED NET DEATH IN MOUNTAINS

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week ago, and as yet no trace has been found of him.

Huber, a local character known as "Honest Frank," who has been employed as a porter by John V. Houston for several years, went to Houston a few nights ago in an intoxicated condition, said that he was quitting his employ, and that he was going to start at once for his home in Cincinnati.

Seeing the man's condition, Mr. Houston tried to dissuade him, advising him to sober up, but Huber remained firm, saying that he had no money, but that he would walk over the mountains to Ashland and travel on from there. Mr. Houston offered him a gold piece, but Huber threw it at him, stating that all he wanted was the price of a meal.

Later in the evening, Al Crystal, who conducts the saloon in the Houston block, met Huber, and talked with him till early in the morning, when he left Crystal to go to his room. Huber appeared to think better of his plan of walking out of the city. The following morning he was not to be found, and he has not been located since.

Huber left a letter for Mr. Houston in which he thanked him for favors shown him, and repeated his statement that he was leaving.

The missing man was about 40 years old, and he was suffering from the effects of prolonged intoxication. As the weather was particularly severe at the time he disappeared, it is feared that the old man perished from exposure.

BRINGS OUT A BIG AUDIENCE

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as a Japanese court yard, with colored lanterns in profusion, and with the players attired in vari-colored kimonos and obis and waving fans, the scene was entirely characteristic of the Orient. The musical numbers by the principals and the large chorus were well rendered, and several encores were demanded by the pleased audience.

The big feature of the production was the work of Ed Andrews as Ko-Ko, the Lord High Executioner. He is entirely at home in the role, which he has played many times, and was in action all the time he was on the stage. His interpretation of his songs brought down the house.

Especially good was the singing and acting of Andrews and Mrs. Don J. Samwalt in the second part. Mrs. Samwalt's splendid mezzo-soprano added much to the musical success of the show, and it was especially good when she rendered "Alone and Yet Alive." This was followed by "Oh Willow, Tit-Willow, Tit-Willow" by the heart-broken Ko-Ko, and after a brain storm of "mollerdrummer, me for the deep, still river" sort of love making that was irresistibly funny, the two sang "Tis Evident Our Tastes Are One."

Miss Louise Benson as one of the three little maids had but a single opportunity in a solo, and she acquitted herself with remarkable cleverness. Her clear, sweet voice was especially pleasing in her song, near the finale of the first act, and she appeared to be not the least bit affected by "stage fright." On the contrary, she suited her action to the words of the song, and tripped about the stage with a grace which might have been expected from an experienced operatic star. Mrs. William Wagner as "Yum-Yum" had a more difficult role, but she was

equal to the emergency. Not only did she please in her musical numbers, but displayed histrionical ability of merit in her difficult love scenes with Ko-Ko. Mrs. Elm Baldwin, the third of the three little maids, gave her two stage sisters good support, but she did not have an equal opportunity, because of the limitations of her part.

George Walton, in spite of the fact that he does not wear any medals as a singer, kept the center of the stage by his ability as an actor. He lost none of the points of his part of Lord High Everything Else, which he gravely acknowledged on every occasion, and brought down the house when he bowed his acknowledgement as being Lord Chancellor, Lord Chief Justice, Attorney General, etc., but haughtily resented the suggestion that he might be the editor of the Northwestern.

Another well sustained character was Fish-Tush, by H. D. Kinnear. From the opening of the opera he not only sang well, but indicated that he had considerable state experience, dancing about the stage like an old-timer in the business.

His Majesty, The Mikado, was played by W. H. Shaw, and the part was in good hands. His solo number, "My Object All Sublime" was one of the hits of the piece, and in dialogue he was especially pleasing. His attendant, Kase-Pan, was a thinking part, but as played by A. F. Baisky there was a lot of comedy in it.

An added feature of the play was the Miller's Horrapipe from "Pinafore," gracefully danced by Misses Elizabeth Houston, Alice Jones, Catherine and Margaret Williams and Louise Benson, attired in natty sailor garb. Shades of the past were recalled by the exhibition of the motion pictures taken at the Elks Rodeo last May, and many persons shown in the film were recognized as they rode by in the parade or endeavored to stay on the hurricane deck of "Cyclone" and other bucking horses.

The opera was produced under the direction of George Wilson. "The Mikado" will be represented again this evening. The seat sale has been brisk all day, and another record breaking house is assured.

May Return Here

Lou Pfanstiel, a former resident of Klamath county, but now in the mercantile business at Madison, California, is in the city attending the hearing for the adjudication of water rights on Lost River. Mr. Pfanstiel owns several hundred acres of land in Poe Valley which are affected. Four hundred acres of his land is signed up to the government under the Poe Valley lateral, and he stated today that he was considering returning to Klamath county next year, so as to handle the property when the water was ready for delivery.

GARRISON WILL MAKE A SPEECH

THE CONDEMNED MURDERER SECURES PERMISSION TO MAKE A TEN-MINUTE PLEA WHEN HE STEPS ON THE SCAFFOLD

SALEM, Dec. 10.—Frank Garrison, one of the five murderers condemned to die on the scaffold Friday, will make a ten-minute speech for his life on the gallows. The time was granted by the warden. Garrison hopes that his plea will result in the delay of his execution.

R. Vance Hutchins left for Sacramento today in charge of three carloads of cattle shipped from here by Louis Gerber. From Sacramento Hutchins will probably go on to San Francisco to purchase the machinery for the job printery he is soon to establish here.

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PRESIDENT OF CORN EXCHANGE BANK IN NEW YORK GIVES INFORMATION TO THE MONEY TRUST PROBE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—Walter Frew, president of the Corn Exchange bank of New York, was the first witness in the money trust probe. He described the organization of the bank, and the absorption of other banks. He said that the Corn Exchange bank had twenty-nine branches in New York.

Meeting Postponed

The regular meeting of the Klamath Literary Club has been postponed until tomorrow evening on account of the performance of "The Mikado" tonight. The meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graves. J. B. Mitchell, the Mt. Dome cattleman, is spending a few days in Klamath Falls.

N. A. Quinn of Portland is here attending to business matters.

H. H. Howell of Medford is a Klamath Falls visitor.



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